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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1026 Longworth House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Marywood University Healthcare Workforce Expansion Initiative in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Marywood University, located at 2300 Adams Avenue, Scranton, PA 18509. The funding would be used for Marywood University's Healthcare Workforce Expansion Initiative to attract individuals into health careers by expanding access to educational opportunities, providing enhanced training to more individuals, and removing barriers to help transition a new generation of qualified individuals into health careers. Through student support, clinical/laboratory equipment, and faculty support, including additional faculty and initiatives that promote interprofessional education, we seek to effectively and efficiently address the healthcare staffing shortage in the 8th Congressional District, parts of which are a Medically Underserved Area. In partnership with Lackawanna County Career Technology Center and regional health services systems, including Geisinger, we will help fill the gap in advanced practice and allied health professionals in the region, as well as collaboratively transform the healthcare workforce in the region to meet the growing needs of the region's population.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Matt Cartwright Member of Congress